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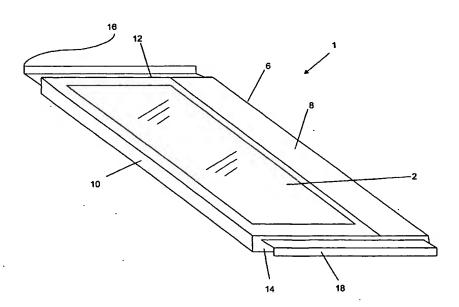
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(57) Abstract: A solar thermal tile (1) comprisinges a transparent portion (2) for permitting the entry of sunlight into a heating space (35) below the tile (1), and a chassis (6) formed separately from the transparent portion (2) on which the transparent portion is mounted. The chassis (6) has at least one protrusion (16, 18) for forming an overlapping relationship with a neighbouring tile. The chassis (6) may be formed from plastic or sheet metal. The transparent portion (2) may be formed from a polycarbonate laminate.

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